



Research Volunteer
Psychosis Research Center
Harvard Medical School
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center



The Psychosis Research Center (PRP) at Massachusetts Mental Health Center is seeking applicants for a research volunteer position from spring to summer of 2019. We are seeking highly motivated and detail-oriented undergraduates or recent graduates who are able to commit to no less 24-32 hours/week. Applicants must commit to the entire spring semester and ideally continue into the summer, have a strong interest in psychiatry and neurology, and proficient organizational skills. Past experience in data entry (REDCap) is preferred but not required.

The PRP is located in the Longwood Medical Area and is dedicated to the investigation of the intervention and prevention of psychotic disorders through various behavioral and biological methodologies. Within the PRP, we are seeking volunteers for two active studies recruiting individuals experiencing early psychosis. Our research team (PI: Matcheri Keshavan, MD) specifically focuses on psychosis among participants between the ages of 18 and 35.

This position is primarily a data management position. Applicant will be expected to assist in data entry and cleaning for two active studies. Other responsibilities may include assisting in day to day administrative and Institutional Review Board duties. Applicant will have the opportunity to observe both clinical and cognitive assessments with subjects (including but not limited to EEGs, eye-tracking, MRI, and neuropsychological testing), as well as attend weekly lab conferences and diagnostic meetings. The position will include a wide variety of educational experiences for individuals who are considering applying to graduate school in clinical psychology or medical school, especially those who are interested in research on the development and progression of psychosis.

Students who are particularly motivated are also encouraged to complete a scholarly project, supervised by RAs and a psychologist, and have the experience of presenting it to our group. The project may involve conducting a literature review and/or performing analyses on available data.

To apply, please send a resume and cover letter to **Nicole Varca** at nvarca@bidmc.harvard.edu. Selected applicants will be invited for an interview with **Courtney Spitzer** (SPARCS Study Coordinator) and **Nicole Varca** (Human Connectome Project-Early Psychosis Study Coordinator).